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Minutes

Board of Elevator Regulations

**This meeting was held remotely via GoToMeeting
November 17, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.**

Board Members Present:

Eric Morse, Acting Chairman
Jacob Nunnemacher
David Gaudet
Cheryl Davis
Brian Ronan
David Morgan

Division of Professional Licensure Staff:

Charles Kilb
Ruthy Barros
Sarah Wilkinson
Chris Eckler

Guests Present:

Gary West – Gillespie Corporation
Patrick Quinlan – Stephen
Terry McCarthy – MBTA
Siva Ancha – GLX Constructors
Quon Chin – STV
Nikola Nikolov – STV

The Board discussed the following:

- 1. 34 Washington Street – Nantucket, MA [Exhibit 1]
New Installation
A17.1-2013 §2.15.9.2(b), §3.4.1.1, §3.4.1.6, §3.4.4, §3.4.7, §2.4.7
Petitioner: Gary West**

The petitioner was in front of the Board seeking a variance from A17.1-2013 §2.15.9.2(b), §3.4.1.1, §3.4.1.6, §3.4.4, §3.4.7, §2.4.7. The Nantucket Harbormaster Building provides office space for the Harbormaster and public bathrooms. The site is in a velocity flood zone and the FEMA flood elevation is 11.0. The architect applied for and obtained a variance from the code to construct the building within a flood zone. The petitioner is requesting to be allowed to provide a minimum elevator pit that is 12 inches deep. The petitioner stated that an elevator with 12' of overhead would place the top of the elevator shaft enclosure at just over 34 feet above grade if it had a flat roof, therefore, the petitioner is requesting an elevator with 8'-11" of overhead. This will allow for the structure of the roof and ceiling of the elevator shaft to be no more than 30 feet in height above grade. A Gillespie elevator is proposed to be installed utilizing both the shallow pit and the low overhead safety system with a top of car detection system and the appropriate signage for both conditions. A motion was made by David Morgan to grant the petitioner's request with pads in the pit and car top, as well as signage in the pit, car top and machine room. Justification for Mr. Morgan's motion is due to the natural conditions and the historical significance in the overhead. The motion was seconded by Cheryl Davis.

Motion: David Morgan
Seconded: Cheryl Davis
Vote: 6-0; Granted.

Roll Call Vote:

• Eric Morse	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay
• David Gaudet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay
• Cheryl Davis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay
• Jacob Nunnemacher	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay
• Brian Ronan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay
• David Morgan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay

2. **1 East Street – Cambridge, MA (Lechmere Station) [Exhibit 2]**
New Installation
A17.1 §1.2.11.10.1.1
Petitioner: Siva Ancha

The petitioner was in front of the Board seeking a variance from A17.1 §1.2.11.10.1.1 – Metal fascia requirement, substitute with glass fascia. The MBTA is required per its settlement agreement with the Boston Center for Independent Living to provide maximum transparency of the elevator an elevator tower to promote safety through

visibility at this new, accessible station entrance. A solid panel smooth steel fascia at this glass headhouse would negate the visibility so required. A smooth glass fasci, exceeding the properties of the .055 inch thick smooth steel, is proposed in place of a smooth steel fascia for the height of the glass elevator towers. The elevators are a part of the MBTA Green Line Extension Project. Car #1 and #2 are in the North headhouse and Car #3 is in the South headhouse. A motion was made by David Gaudet to accept the applications for the substitutions of Z97.1 glass under A17.1-2013 §2.1.1.2.2(e) for three elevators, one located at 1 East Street and two located at North First Street, with the justification that the glass meets the safety requirements for metal fascia. The motion was seconded by Jacob Nunnemacher. The petitioner will provide the Board's coordinator with all the documentation presented to the Board.

Motion: David Gaudet

Seconded: Jacob Nunnemacher

Vote: 6-0; Granted.

Roll Call Vote:

• Eric Morse	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay
• David Gaudet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay
• Cheryl Davis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay
• Jacob Nunnemacher	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay
• Brian Ronan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay
• David Morgan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea	<input type="checkbox"/> nay

3. Chief Wilkinson presented to the Board to discuss the enforcement of pre-inspection checklist requirements. The purpose of the pre-inspection checklist is to adequately prepare an elevator for an inspection, which shall include but not be limited to adequate pre-testing of all equipment prior to scheduled inspection and proper notification to building owner pursuant to 524 CMR §5.03(6). The checklist was put in place to help reduce 90 days re-inspections. No action taken.
4. Chief Wilkinson presented to the Board to discuss the enforcement when Fire Service Logs are not maintained in proper intervals. The Board discussed §8.6.11.1 – Firefighter's Emergency Operation. All elevators provided with Firefighters Emergency Operation shall be subjected monthly, by authorized personnel, to Phase I recall by use of the key switch, and a minimum of one floor operation on Phase II, except in jurisdictions enforcing the NBCC. Deficiencies shall be corrected. A record of findings shall be

available to elevator personnel and the authority having jurisdiction. The Board also discussed §8.6.1.4.1 – On-Site Maintenance Records. No action taken.

5. The Board went on to discuss code compliance of wireless phones to be utilized in elevators in lieu of wired phones. When a formal request is submitted, the Board will review all supporting documentation. No action taken.
6. Board member Jacob Nunnemacher would like the Board to further discuss the topic of sprinkler conversion.

Board member Brian Ronan left the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

7. **Approval of meeting minutes from October 27, 2020 [Exhibit 3]**

A motion was put forth by David Morgan to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Jacob Nunnemacher. **Vote: 5-0; Granted.**

Roll Call Vote:

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| • Eric Morse | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea | <input type="checkbox"/> nay |
| • David Gaudet | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea | <input type="checkbox"/> nay |
| • Cheryl Davis | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea | <input type="checkbox"/> nay |
| • Jacob Nunnemacher | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea | <input type="checkbox"/> nay |
| • David Morgan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea | <input type="checkbox"/> nay |

Exhibit List:

- Exhibit 1: Variance packet for 34 Washington Street – Nantucket, MA
- Exhibit 2: Variance packet for 1 East Street – Cambridge, MA
- Exhibit 3: Meeting minutes from October 27, 2020

Motion to Adjourn: David Morgan

Seconded: Jacob Nunnemacher

Vote: 5-0; Adjourned.

Roll Call Vote:

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| • Eric Morse | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea | <input type="checkbox"/> nay |
| • David Gaudet | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea | <input type="checkbox"/> nay |
| • Cheryl Davis | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea | <input type="checkbox"/> nay |
| • Jacob Nunnemacher | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea | <input type="checkbox"/> nay |
| • David Morgan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yea | <input type="checkbox"/> nay |

Hearing concluded at 11:06 a.m.
Prepared by: Ruthy Barros